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In re Application of:

Holger WINKLER et al.

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Serial No.: 10/518,058

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Title: COMPOSITE MATERIAL CONTAINING A CORE COVERING PARTICLE

REPLY

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 21, 2006, please amend the claims as follows and consider the remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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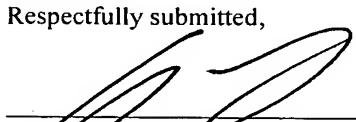
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